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# House of Representatives

The House met at 10 a.m.

Rabbi Jacob J. Schachter, the Jewish Center, New York, New York, offered

the following prayer:

Almighty God, we express our deep gratitude to You for the gift that is the United States of America. Like millions of others in this exceptional land, all four of my grandparents came to these blessed shores from countries far away to create a better life for themselves and their families. Like millions of others, my father served in the armed forces of this wonderful country and fought to make the world safe for democracy and human freedom. Help us, O Lord, to continue to make these United States a center for justice and decency, integrity and opportunity.

Our country is blessed with unprece-

dented power, plenty and prosperity. Grant us the wisdom, O Gracious God, to appreciate these gifts and use them wisely for the benefit of all who live in our midst and to ensure that peace and security reign in this great Nation and

throughout the entire world.

#### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Jour-

nal stands approved.
Mr. McNULTY. Mr. Speaker, pursuant to clause 1, rule I, I demand a vote on agreeing to the Speaker's approval of the Journal.

The SPEAKER. The question is on the Chair's approval of the Journal.

The question was taken; and the Speaker announced that the ayes ap-

peared to have it.
Mr. McNULTY. Mr. Speaker, I object to the vote on the ground that a quorum is not present and make the point of order that a quorum is not

The SPEAKER. Evidently a quorum

is not present.

The Sergeant at Arms will notify absent Members.

The vote was taken by electronic device, and there were—yeas 365, nays 49, answered "present" 1, not voting 19, as follows:

#### [Roll No. 123]

#### YEAS-365

Cardin Foley Abercrombie Ackerman Ford Carson Fossella Castle Andrews Chabot Fowler Frank (MA) Archer Chambliss Chenoweth-Hage Franks (NJ) Frelinghuysen Baca Clayton Frost Bachus Clement Gallegly Coble Baldacci Coburn Ganske Baldwin Collins Gejdenson Ballenger Condit Gekas Gephardt Barcia Convers Cooksey Gibbons Barrett (NE) Cox Gilchrest Barrett (WI) Coyne Gillmor Cramer Gilman Barton Crowley Gonzalez Bass Cubin Goode Goodlatte Bateman Cummings Cunningham Becerra Goodling Bentsen Danner Gordon Davis (FL) Goss Graham Berkley Davis (IL) Berman Davis (VA) Granger Deal Green (TX) Green (WI) Berry DeGette Biggert Bilirakis Delahunt Greenwood Bishop Blagojevich DeLauro Hall (TX) DeLay Hansen Hastings (WA) DeMint Deutsch Diaz-Balart Hayes Hayworth Blumenauer Blunt Boehlert Dicks Hill (IN) Boehner Dingell Hilleary Dixon Bonilla Hinchey Hinojosa Doggett Boswell Dooley Doolittle Hobson Hoeffel Boucher Doyle Hoekstra Brady (TX) Dreier Holden Brown (FL) Duncan Holt Bryant Dunn Horn Edwards Hostettler Burr Burton Hoyer Ehrlich Hunter Callahan Emerson Hutchinson Calvert Hyde Engel Camp Eshoo Inslee Campbell Evans Isakson Canady Everett Istook Jackson (IL) Cannon Ewing Capps Farr Jackson-Lee Fletcher

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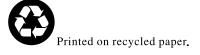
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☐ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., ☐ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

Matter set in this typeface indicates words inserted or appended, rather than spoken, by a Member of the House on the floor.



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Weldon (FL) Whitfield Woolsey
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#### NAYS-49

Hefley Hill (MT) Aderholt Riley Baird Rogan Bilbray Hilliard Bonior Brady (PA) Hooley Hulshof Schaffer Stenholm Johnson, E. B. Brown (OH) Strickland Stupak Taylor (MS) Clyburn Lewis (GA) LoBiondo Costello Thompson (CA) Crane McDermott Thompson (MS) Udall (NM) DeFazio McNulty Moore Dickey English Oberstar Visclosky Etheridge Pallone Waters Peterson (MN) Filner Wicker Gutierrez Phelps Gutknecht Pickett Ramstad Hastings (FL)

#### ANSWERED "PRESENT"-1

#### Tancredo

#### NOT VOTING-19

Borski Herger Stark Houghton Clav Stearns Combest Larson Weller Cook Martinez Wynn Fattah Young (AK) Myrick Hall (OH) Sanchez

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So the Journal was approved.

The result of the vote was announced as above recorded.

Stated for:

Mr. LARSON. Mr. Speaker, on rollcall No. 123, I was out of the building on legislative matters. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

Ms. SANCHEZ. Mr. Speaker, during rollcall vote No. 123 on April 13, 2000, I was unavoidably detained. Had I been present, I would have voted "yea."

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). Will the gentleman from Texas (Mr. SAM JOHNSON) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. SAM JOHNSON of Texas led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

#### MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Mr. Lundregan, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate has passed without amendment concurrent resolutions of the House of the following titles:

- H. Con. Res. 278. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the 19th annual National Peace Officers' Memorial Service.
- H. Con. Res. 279. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the Capitol Grounds for the 200th birthday celebration of the Library of Congress.
- H. Con. Res. 281. Concurrent resolution authorizing the use of the East Front of the Capitol Grounds for performances sponsored by the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts.

The message also announced that the Senate has passed a bill and joint reso-

lutions of the following titles in which concurrence of the House is requested:

- S. 2323. An act to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to clarify the treatment of stock options under the Act.
- S.J. Res. 40. Joint resolution providing for the appointment of Alan G. Spoon as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.
- S.J. Res. 41. Joint resolution providing for the appointment of Sheila E. Widnall as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.
- S.J. Res. 42. Joint resolution providing for the appointment of Manuel L. Ibanez as a citizen regent of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution.

### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair advises the Members that it will entertain one 1-minute request only from the gentleman from New York (Mr. NADLER). All other 1-minute requests will be postponed until the end of the day.

## HONORING RABBI JACOB J. SCHACHTER

(Mr. NADLER asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. NADLER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor this morning's guest chaplain, Rabbi Jacob J. Schachter of the Jewish Center in New York City whom I have known for almost 20 years.

Rabbi Schachter has been the spiritual leader of the Jewish Center since 1981. Under his leadership the Jewish Center has tripled in its membership. Rabbi Schachter has brought enthusiasm for Jewish life to the synagogue and to the local community throughout his tenure.

Rabbi Schachter received Rabbinic ordination from Mesvita Torah Vodaas and holds a Ph.D. in Near East languages from Harvard University. Among his many accomplishments, Rabbi Schachter is an accomplished author, having collaborated on "A Modern Heretic and a Traditional Community, Orthodoxy, and Americana Judaism" and is the founding editor of the Torah u-Madda Journal. He is also the founding president of the Council of Orthodox Jewish Organizations of Manhattan, is a much sought after speaker on interdenominational dialogue under the auspices of the Jewish Community Center and the 92nd Street Y, and is a member of the Board of Governors of the New York Board of Rabbis.

Unfortunately, Rabbi Schachter will soon be leaving the Jewish Center to become the dean of the Rabbi Joseph Soloveitchik Institute in Brookline, Massachusetts, where his daily insights, wisdom and leadership will be invaluable to the State of Massachusetts and to the Jewish community, especially in Massachusetts. I want to

wish him well in his new endeavors and thank him for all that he has done for the Jewish Center, for the Jewish community, and for the entire community in New York over the last 20 years.

#### □ 1030

CONFERENCE REPORT ON HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 290, CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET, FISCAL YEAR 2001

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, by direction of the Committee on Rules, I call up House Resolution 474 and ask for its immediate consideration.

The Clerk read the resolution, as follows:

#### H RES 474

Resolved, That upon adoption of this resolution it shall be in order to consider the conference report to accompany the concurrent resolution (H. Con. Res. 290) establishing the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2001, revising the congressional budget for the United States Government for fiscal year 2000, and setting forth appropriate budgetary levels for each of fiscal years 2002 through 2005. All points of order against the conference report and against its consideration are waived. The conference report shall be considered as read. The conference report shall be debatable for one hour equally divided and controlled by chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget.

The SPEAKER pro tempore (Mr. PEASE). The gentleman from Florida (Mr. GOSS) is recognized for 1 hour. Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, for the pur-

Mr. GOSS. Mr. Speaker, for the purpose of debate only, I yield the customary 30 minutes to the distinguished gentlewoman from New York (Ms. SLAUGHTER), pending which I yield myself such time as I may consume. During consideration of this resolution, all time yielded is for the purpose of debate only.

Mr. Speaker, H. Res. 474 is a straight-forward typical rule providing for the consideration of the annual budget resolution conference report. The rule waives all points of order against the conference report and against its consideration and provides that the conference report be considered as read. The rule further provides for 1 hour of debate, equally divided and controlled between the chairman and ranking member of the Committee on the Budget.

The two Chambers have come to a speedy agreement on the fiscal year 2001 budget resolution, sorting out differences between the Houses in a responsible manner. I am pleased to note that the conference report to be considered today adheres to the six major principles that we outlined when this process began, including continuing our historic achievement of paying down the national debt, protecting 100 percent of the Social Security trust fund, boosting our national defense, providing for prescription drug coverage and Medicare reform, offering tax relief, and supporting our localities in the all-important arena of education of our youth.